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KNIGHT TERRORS: FIRST BLOOD #1

Metropolis.

YOUR SUPERMAN-- HE'S POSSESSED BY A--OH NO!

BY A CHILL!

THE MOST POWERFUL MAN ON THIS EARTH, POSSESSED BY A GRIMM OF TOTAL DESPAIR--HE COULD DESTROY EVERYONE IN THIS WHOLE CITY!

WELL, HOW DO WE FREE HIM?!

WE NEEDED WONDER WOMAN'S LASSO TO FREE THE OTHERS FROM GRIMM POSSESSION--BUT THIS GRIMM COULD ALREADY POSSESS PEOPLE, BEFORE OUR WORLDS COLLIDED!

WE NEVER STUDIED THESE AT BEACON ACADEMY--

I MEAN, THEY'RE--THEY'RE FAIRY TALES ON REMNANT!

AND HERE... SO ARE WE.

THINK, RUBY!

WE--WE NEED TO *LURE* THE CHILL OUT OF HIM--

IT WANTS THE WARMEST PLACE, IN THE HEART OF ITS HOST--

COME ON, BIG BOY!

LET'S GET YOUR BLOOD UP--

POW

--AND GET THAT HEART PUMPING.

THE CHILL--

THE CHILL ALREADY *HAS* THE STRONGEST HOST--!

IT CAN ONLY BE LURED OUT BY WHAT ITS HOST WANTS MOST--

AND THAT, TEAM RWBY--

--THAT WOULD BE ME.

WHO-- WHO ARE *YOU*?!

I'M SUPERMAN'S BIGGEST WEAKNESS AND GREATEST STRENGTH.

I'M STRONGER THAN KRYPTONITE.

I'M LOIS @#$%& LANE.

COME HERE.

=HSSSS=

IT'S WARM IN MY ARMS.

IT'S WARM IN MY *HEART*.

...

CLARK.

WHSSSHHHH

SUPERMAN!

I'M... FREE...?

LOIS!

=HSSSS=

NO--!

LEAVE HER! COME BACK TO ME!

MY HEART IS WARMER, STRONGER-- I LOVE HER MOST IN ALL THE WORLD--

LOIS...

HSssss

THEY LOVE ONE ANOTHER MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE...

IT'S GOING TO KEEP JUMPING BETWEEN THEM! THEIR HEARTS BURN *HOTTER* EVERY TIME THE OTHER IS IN DANGER!

HEY.

DO THAT ONE MORE TIME.

I--I'LL TRY...

RUBY! SHE MIGHT NOT *SURVIVE--!*

MY LOVE.

HSSSS

GOT YOU, HEARTBREAKER!

SLICE!

WELL...AT LEAST THAT WAS KIND OF ROMANTIC.

YOU FREED HIM FROM THE GRIMM...

BUT *HOW?* WHY COULDN'T WE AWAKEN THE JOKER, THEN? WHY COULDN'T WE AWAKEN CHEETAH WITHOUT THE LASSO OF TRUTH?

HEY, TEAM--

"FIGHT NOW, THEORIZE LATER."

THE PEOPLE ARE SAFER DOWN IN THE SUBWAYS UNTIL WE CAN GET THE REST OF THE JUSTICE LEAGUE HERE.

AND WE CAN'T GO ***ANYWHERE*** NEAR THEM! WE'LL ***CURSE*** THEM WITH SUPERPOWERS--

WE NEED TO GET OUT OF METROPOLIS. WE'RE THE ONES DRAWING GRIMM HERE.

I KNOW JUST THE PLACE WE CAN GO.

The Fortress of Solitude.

MAN, THIS IS LIKE THE BATCAVE OR BUST.

LIKE I SAID, I APPRECIATE COMMITMENT TO A BIT.

IT SEEMS EVEN *FAIRY TALES* HAVE *POWER* IN THIS WORLD.

I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW CHILL WERE REAL ON REMNANT, BUT HERE, THE THINGS WE WERE AFRAID OF AS CHILDREN...THEY'RE AS *REAL* AS ANY OTHER GRIMM.

WE ALL KNEW *THE NUCKELAVEE*. WE HAD DIFFERENT NAMES FOR HIM, DEPENDING ON WHERE WE'D BEEN RAISED, BUT...I BET EVEN *THE PEOPLE OF EARTH* KNOW HIM, SOMEHOW.

THE *BOGEYMAN*. NO MATTER THE FORM HE TAKES, THE WORST OF THE WORST--CHILDHOOD TERROR TAKEN TO THE EXTREME.

THE AMAZONS, THE ATLANTEANS, EVEN THE KRYPTONIANS--WE *ALL* KNOW HIM.

IT WILL ALWAYS *RING TRUE*. THAT KIND OF STORY WILL ALWAYS LAST.

AND IT WASN'T THE JOKER OR CHEETAH WHO'S *THE SOVEREIGN OF THE GRIMM* AFTER ALL--

IT'S *LEX LUTHOR*.

HE OPENED THESE PORTALS WITH THE HELP OF SALEM AND STARTED ALL OF THIS. HE'S THE ONE WE'LL HAVE TO DEFEAT.

HE'S GOT DUST, PORTALS, AND HIS POWER SUIT. *HE COULD BE ANYWHERE.*

ALL RIGHT, WELL, WHAT DO WE KNOW? HOW DO WE DEFEAT HIM? HOW DO WE FREE THE POSSESSED WITHOUT WONDER WOMAN'S LASSO?

IN OUR WORLD, GRIMM ARE CREATURES OF ***FEAR***. JOKER DIDN'T FEAR US, AND NEITHER DID CHEETAH. SUPERMAN'S CASE WAS TOO UNUSUAL TO USE--

...IS IT?

BUT...WE THOUGHT IT WAS THE LASSO...

THE LASSO... LET ME THINK. ***THE LASSO OF TRUTH...***

WHAT WAS THE MOMENT THAT CHEETAH WAS FREED OF HER POSSESSION?

NOT THE MOMENT THE LASSO TOUCHED HER, NO.

CHEETAH'S POSSESSION ENDED WHEN WONDER WOMAN MADE CHEETAH SAY ***HER TRUE NAME***--NOT HER GLAMOROUS SUPER-VILLAIN NAME, BUT HER ***MERE MORTAL*** NAME.

THE ***RAGE*** CHEETAH MUST'VE FELT...

...AND THE ***FEAR.***

TO GO FROM THINKING HERSELF QUEEN OF THE GRIMM...TO FINDING HERSELF ***ONLY HUMAN*** AGAIN.

IT WASN'T TRUTH...IT WAS ***FEAR.***

SUPERMAN LOVED LOIS SO MUCH THAT EVEN THE CHILL INSIDE HIM WAS DRAWN TO HER. HE WAS SO SCARED FOR HER THAT HE TOOK THE CHILL BACK INSIDE HIMSELF TO SAVE HER.

YOU'RE SAYING WE HAVE TO **SCARE** EVERY POSSESSED PERSON?

...I THINK SO.

WELL, HERE'S ONE OF MY WORST NIGHTMARES--

"LEX LUTHOR, OUR SAVIOR?"

I HAVE BROUGHT POWER TO THE MASSES, AND GIVEN YOU ALL NEW LIFE!

WE'VE LET OURSELVES BE SHUFFLED FROM PLACE TO PLACE, TRYING NOT TO STIR UP TROUBLE, TRYING TO KEEP AWAY THE GRIMM, TRYING TO KEEP SEMBLANCES FROM SPREADING.

BUT ***TROUBLE KEEPS FINDING US,*** AND WE HAVE TO REALIZE--WE'RE NOT HELPING BY JUST ***BEING GOOD.***

WE HAVE TO ***DO*** GOOD.

WE'VE BEEN TRYING SO HARD NOT TO MAKE THINGS WORSE, WE HAVEN'T DONE TOO MUCH TO MAKE THEM BETTER, HAVE WE?

THAT ENDS ***NOW.***

In Transit.

GOTHAM IS OVERRUN. **95 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION** HAS SEMBLANCES NOW, AND MORE GRIMM ARE COMING THROUGH THAT PORTAL EVERY HOUR.

BATMAN AND HIS ALLIES ARE HOLDING THEM OFF, BUT THE **JOKER-NUCKELAVEE** IS AMASSING A MASSIVE FORCE BEHIND THE WALLS OF ARKHAM ASYLUM.

WHEN THAT LEVEE BREAKS, GOTHAM IS GOING TO BE FLOODED WITH **TOO MANY GRIMM TO STOP.**

LAVEE?

THERE'S BARELY ANYONE IN GOTHAM LEFT TO INFECT WITH SEMBLANCES. NO MORE GRIMM TO MAGNETIZE TO OUR LOCATION THAN ARE ALREADY APPEARING.

WE CAN'T MAKE THE SITUATION WORSE.

FAMOUS LAST WORDS.

WE'LL JUST HAVE TO MAKE IT **BETTER.**

ONE STEP AT A TIME.

Gotham City.

FIRST REPORTS OF SEMBLANCES IN METROPOLIS AS THESE BLACK-AND-WHITE MONSTROSITIES INVADE THE CITY--

Dust Required.

RATS.

WE'VE GOT TO GO BACK.

STEM THE TIDE IN METROPOLIS. WE'LL HANDLE GOTHAM.

THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING.

EVEN FOR THIS NEW LITTLE POWER--

I CAN TELL WHEN SOMEONE IS LYING. EVEN GOING BACK THROUGH MY MEMORIES.

THAT ONE ABOUT SANTA CLAUS IS ADMITTEDLY A LITTLE DISAPPOINTING.

AND I CAN TELL YOU...WHAT LEX SAID, HE BELIEVES IS TRUE.

HE REALLY DOES THINK HE'S THE HERO OF THIS STORY, AND THAT THIS IS HOW AND WHY HE WILL BE REMEMBERED.

SUPERMAN?

DID YOU GET A **SEMBLANCE**, TOO? THE POWER FROM YOUR AURA, THAT ONLY THOSE WITH SOULS HAVE?

I THINK MY SEMBLANCE IS...THE CAPACITY TO SEE THE **GOOD** IN PEOPLE.

THAT'S YOUR SEMBLANCE?

THAT IS WHAT'S **ALWAYS** BEEN IN MY SOUL.

GOOD LUCK, TEAM RWBY.

I HAVE DISCOVERED ***ANOTHER WORLD!***

I WILL RETURN WITH ***FUEL ENOUGH FOR ALL,*** RID THE WORLD OF THESE SO-CALLED ***CAPED CRUSADERS,*** AND USHER IN AN ERA OF ***POWER FOR THE COMMON MAN--***

OH PLEASE, "COMMON MAN" MY LEFT--

YANG!

HEY! ALL YOU GOTHAMITES! ***LISTEN UP!***

HE'S THE ONLY ONE WITH DUST--HE'S PLANNING ON GOING THROUGH THE PORTAL TO REMNANT TO GET MORE!

A MONOPOLY ON ALL THE WORLD'S TECHNOLOGY...EVERY FUEL SOURCE NOW OBSOLETE, EXCEPT WHAT LEX LUTHOR CAN PROVIDE!

IS THAT TRUE?! ARE ***YOU*** THE ONE WHO GAVE US ALL THESE ***SUPERPOWERS?***

I HAVE BROUGHT POWER TO THE PEOPLE. NO MORE SUPER-POWERED OLIGARCHS.

EXCEPT FOR ***YOU,*** RIGHT?

FIRST AMONG EQUALS.

I ASSURE YOU, MY *LEADERSHIP* IS FAR *SUPERIOR* TO THOSE DICTATORS WHO HAVEN'T A SNOWBALL'S CHANCE IN HELL OF--

WHICK

LOOK AROUND, BUDDY.

SNOWBALLS ARE DOING *ALL RIGHT.*

WHO ARE THEY?

KIDS FROM GOTHAM--

GIRLS WHO DECIDED TO STAND UP--

SCREWBALLS AND *MISFITS* AND *TEENAGE OUTLAWS*, TOO.

YOU LEVELED THE PLAYING FIELD, WHICH MEANS WE UNDERSTAND THAT POWER IS OUR *RIGHT*, NOT YOUR *CHARITY.*

THE BILLIONAIRE CORPORATE POLITICIAN MESSING WITH THE FABRIC OF REALITY AND THEN FRAMING IT AS A PUBLIC GOOD?

AND YOU WANT US TO KISS YOUR RING--?

OR KICK YOUR $@#?!

LADIES, LADIES--

WE DIDN'T NEED POWERS TO SEE THAT FOR WHAT IT WAS.

I ♥ RWBY

BUDDY, THE POWERS ARE JUST FROSTING.

GET IT?

WE'RE NOT TAKING YOU DOWN JUST BECAUSE WE GOT SEMBLANCES.

WE'RE TAKING YOU DOWN BECAUSE OF WHO WE WERE ALL ALONG.

YOU INGRATES FORGET...

...I ALREADY HAVE MY SEMBLANCE.

I CAN CREATE PORTALS.

I'LL SEND SALEM YOUR LOVE--

NOPE.

KRKKLL

HSSSSS

BZZZZT

HI, LEX.

BATGIRL.

I KNOW THE HISTORY OF ANYTHING I LAY HANDS ON.

WHICH MEANS I KNOW THAT WHEN YOU BUILT THIS, YOU BUILT AN EMERGENCY OFF-SWITCH...

GOOD NIGHT, LEX.

CATWOMAN!

HAVE EITHER OF YOU SEEN BATMAN? HE AND ALFRED HAVE BEEN MISSING SINCE THEIR LAST WATCH AT ARKHAM ASYLUM!

WE'LL FIND THEM.

IN THE MEANTIME--

CATWOMAN, CAN YOU USE YOUR SEMBLANCE TO REPLICATE THE DUST LEX STOLE?

YOU WANT THIS JUMPED-UP KITTY LITTER BY THE TON OR THE TRUCKLOAD?

NIGHTWING?

I THINK MY POWERS OF INSPIRATION ARE A LITTLE REDUNDANT HERE. IT'S HELPED CIVILIANS HOLD OFF MANY A GRIMM, BUT RIGHT NOW...

...YOU'VE ALREADY DONE THAT JOB FOR MVE.

YOU READY?

COME ON, "KING OF THE GRIMM."

IF YOU *OPENED* THE PORTAL TO THIS WORLD, THEN YOU CAN *CLOSE* IT.

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DON'T YOU WANT TO BE REMEMBERED?

ARKHAM ASYLUM

Next: ENTER THE ASYLUM!

IT'S NOT JUST A DREAM!

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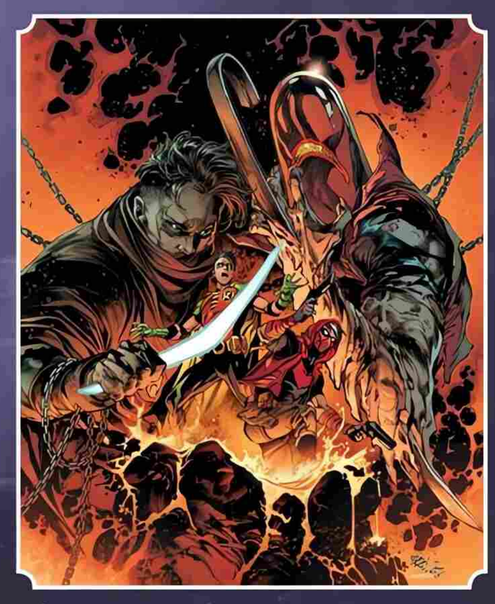
ROBIN VS. ROBIN VS. NIGHTMARE ROBINS!



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THE HALL OF JUSTICE?

WHY BRING ME TO THE HOME OF MY OLD ENEMIES?

THE JUSTICE LEAGUE DISBANDED LIKE A BUNCH OF *QUITTERS.*

IT WILL TAKE MORE THAN A HAUNTED HOUSE TO FRIGHTEN SOMEONE SUCH AS MYSELF.

SO, SKIP THE BLOODY TOUR AND TELL ME WHAT YOU WANT.

ONCE I FIND MY ***DREAMSTONE*** AND REGAIN CONTROL OF THIS REALM, YOU WILL PAY FOR THIS...

...INSULT...?

AH!

NO! STAY AWAY! HOW ARE YOU DOING THIS?!

YOU'RE NOT *REAL!* YOU'RE NOT--

WHAT...

WHAT IS WRONG WITH YOUR *EYES...?*

WHERE IS THE NIGHTMARE STONE?!

YOU CAN'T HAVE IT!

NO ONE CAN! DON'T--

AAAAAAAAHH!

THE STORY CONTINUES IN

KNIGHT TERRORS: FIRST BLOOD

ON SALE IN JULY!

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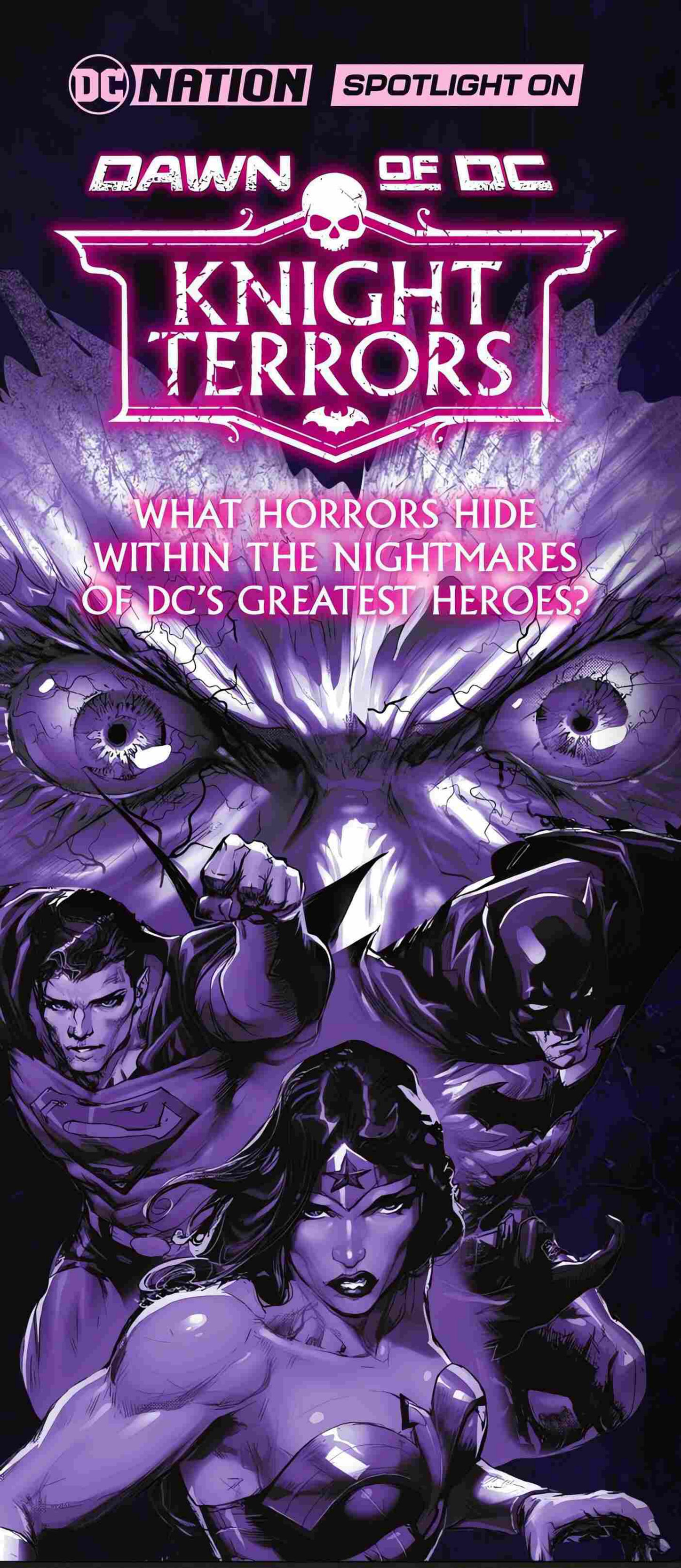
WHAT HORRORS HIDE WITHIN THE NIGHTMARES OF DC'S GREATEST HEROES?



MONTH ONE CHECKLIST

JULY 4

- ☐ *Knight Terrors: First Blood* #1
- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Batman* #1
- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Black Adam* #1
- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Poison Ivy* #1
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JULY 11

- ☐ *Knight Terrors* #1
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- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Robin* #1
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- ☐ *Knight Terrors: The Flash* #1
- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Zatanna* #1

JULY 18

- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Catwoman* #1
- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Nightwing* #1
- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Punchline* #1
- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Superman* #1
- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Wonder Woman* #1

JULY 25

- ☐ *Knight Terrors* #2
- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Action Comics* #1
- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Angel Breaker* #1
- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Detective Comics* #1
- ☐ *Knight Terrors: Harley Quinn* #1
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